



I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date indicated below.

Elizabeth A. Dudek  
Typed or Printed Name of Person Sending Paper or Fee  
Elizabeth A. Dudek 9/22/03  
Signature Date

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of: : Docket No. 2821-210WOUS-1  
Peter Taiana et al. : Date: 22 September 2003  
Serial No.: 10/622,887 : Previous Art Unit: 1762  
Filing Date: July 18, 2003 : Examiner: S. Chan  
TITLE: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COVERING AREAS OF DAMAGED  
PROTECTIVE COATING, AND A TRANSPORT SYSTEM

Hartford, Connecticut, September 22, 2003

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sirs:

Attached hereto is Form PTO-1449 listing a document believed relevant to the subject application. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider this document and an initialed copy of the form be returned to the undersigned.

This document was cited during the prosecution of the parent application (Serial No. 09/869,736) from which this application claims priority. Applicant's attorney respectfully requests that this reference be made of record in the above-identified application.

It is the Applicant's attorney's understanding that it is not necessary to provide a copy of this reference since the above application has a filing date later than June 30, 2003. A copy of said reference can, however, be provided upon request.

This disclosure statement should not be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 (a) exists. In addition, the cited documents are not necessarily analogous art.

It is believed that this disclosure complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98 and the Manual of Patent Examining Procedures § 609. If for some reason, the Examiner considers otherwise, it is respectfully requested that the Applicants' representative be called so that any deficiencies can be remedied.

Applicant believes no fee is due for filing this Information Disclosure Statement. If it is determined that a fee is required, please charge Deposit Account No. 13-0235.

Respectfully submitted,

By Richard D. Getz  
Richard D. Getz  
Registration No. 36,147  
Attorney for Applicants

McCormick, Paulding & Huber LLP  
CityPlace II, 185 Asylum Street  
Hartford, CT 06103-3402  
(860) 549-5290

**Burden Hour Statement:** This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U. S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. **DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO:** Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.